

Willard Dean (Bill) Classen
Crop Insurance Business Member

Bill Classen has been involved in agriculture and crop insurance nearly all of his life. Mr. Classen was raised in rural Nebraska and went on the University of Nebraska where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Education. After serving three years in the Army, and teaching vocational agriculture for two years, Mr. Classen joined the Rain and Hail Insurance Bureau. He began as an agent and progressed through the management ranks from 1956 through 1980. From 1980 until his retirement in 1992, Bill Classen was the President of Rain and Hail Insurance Services.

Mr. Classen served in the National Crop Insurance Association as both Chairman of the Research and Development Committee and as President, served as President of the American Association of Crop Insurers, and was a member and Co-Chairman of the Blue Ribbon Commission for the Improvement of the Federal Crop Insurance Program. In addition, Mr. Classen has served on several Boards in and around his current home near Des Moines, Iowa.